

FOR FARMERS.

Matters Of Interest To The Agricultural Classes.

PROFITABLE CROPS FOR BIG SANDY PEOPLE.

In view of the present business outlook it is imperative that our farmers exercise the best judgment in deciding upon their crops for this year. And after reaching an intelligent decision the most important thing is the execution of the plans laid around the warm hearthstone. You all know the farmer who raises the large crops during the winter season and puts price in the summer. You know that he does not execute his plans and consequently is a poor and good-for-nothing sort of a fellow. It is the man who is willing to pay the price of laboring hard every day to execute his plans that wins out and makes a financial success. Planning is akin to dreaming. Execution is toil.

Farmers within reach of Louisa are fortunate. Opportunities are plentiful for those who are willing to work.

This is an excellent poultry and egg market, and there is no limit to the amount of these and other farm products that can be sold here. Also, our produce companies will buy almost all kinds of vegetables and garden truck. The Louisa Canning Company will, we are informed, pay the high prices heretofore offered for tomatoes and beans in unlimited quantities.

This season offers the greatest opportunity ever presented to our people to grow tobacco. The price of tobacco will be unusually high because the growers of Central Kentucky have agreed to raise no crop this year, and the supply will be short.

We know of a last year crop of Lawrence county tobacco that brought \$112 per acre. It was sold in last month. Several farmers of this vicinity tried tobacco growing one season several years ago, but the price went lower that year than ever known. Most of them did not try it again. Although tobacco soon afterward reached a profitable price.

Referring again to truck gardening we have consulted our produce houses as to what they will buy this season. The list follows, and it certainly gives our farmers a wide range of crops to select from.

To get good prices it is necessary to produce good stuff, and the first step toward this is to plant only the right kind of seed. The following suggestions as to what best pleases the trade supplied by our produce houses will be of value to farmers:

The long green sugar corn.
Long green cucumbers.
Large smooth tomatoes.
Large smooth Irish potatoes.
Potato onions.
Long striped watermelons.
Smooth, tender and stringless beans.
Many farmers do not seem to know the importance of growing only the best. The produce houses last year had much inferior stuff offered to them. The cost of the best seed is very slight and the farmer should use no other kind. Early Rose potatoes are not as saleable as the smoother kind, because the eyes are too deep.

WINTER WORK.

The three winter months of the year should be largely devoted to spreading the barnyard manure upon the soil where the crops of 1909 will be grown. The horse manure will have its highest valuation at the time it is made; and this is the period at which it should be applied to the soil. If the manure is allowed to remain in the stable a week it will begin to heat unless it is kept damp or trampled upon by the animals. Several buckets of water thrown over the horse manure will cause it to keep cool and the nitrogen will be retained. Not half the attention is given to preserving manure that should be given by farmers.

STAY ON THE FARM.

Since farming has risen to a science, it is much more respectable to be a soil tiller than in former years. It is now the most independent and satisfactory employment known. The uncertainties of a city life are very embarrassing. The boy who comes to town thinks he will have an easy time and great pleasures, but they are delusions, and in a few years he will discover that his life road around the farm would have been more profitable and enjoyable. This spring the boy who will plant a few acres in fruit trees, will see them grow up to be great moneyproducers, and they will be a guarantee of profits more certain than an insurance policy.

SPRAY FRUIT TREES.

Where the San Jose scale are, spraying must be done before the new leaves begin to show. Winter is the period for destroying scales, therefore the Agriculturist advises its patrons not to postpone this necessary work until it is too late. There appears to be a unanimous opinion that it pays to spray, and in some instances it has been found that it has paid 100 per cent on the dollar for the time and money expended.

Here is what we get from an Illinois experiment station bulletin as a test case. They tried spraying their apples to protect them from plum curculio. As a result they find it costs them 17 cents per tree for four applications of the solution, and that this outlay increases the yield of the crop 50 per cent; the fruit was one-fifth larger, the quantity was 100 per cent improved and the fruit brought from two and one-half to three times as much as that from unsprayed trees. The material in spraying cost 2c. per tree outside of the work of applying. One can easily figure on this basis that spraying was a paying job and not only spraying for curculio but for codling moth and different fungous diseases that fruit trees are subject to.

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SKRIMLEY'S ONE QUEER TRAIT.
Pink of Neatness in Every Other Way.
He Never Brushes His Hat.

"I suppose," said Mr. MacBlink, "that we all have our little peculiarities, but some of them do seem queer. You take, for instance, the one odd thing about my friend Skrimley."

"Now, Skrimley is a man very scrupulous in all the ways of personal cleanliness, daily bath, constant fresh linen, clothes always in perfect order and always brushed, and his shoes always cared for in like manner; but he never brushes his hat, and that I have never been able to account for."

"Anybody that didn't know Skrimley that saw him going around with that hat of his all covered with dust would think he was, so to speak, dusty all over and all through, a man in every way careless about his person; but the facts are as I have stated them, he is actually the very opposite of personal dustiness, in everything but his hat."

"Somehow he doesn't seem to care how that looks, and when he comes to that he just lets it go. Just why he does this I don't know; I suppose it's just Skrimley's little peculiarity."

Brought Government to Time.

Funny is the story which is related of the victory won by the employees at a certain post office in Paris over the administration, which had omitted to replace a clock that had been removed while repairs were being made on the premises. All the employees were in possession of watches, but that was not the point. They had to go by the clock, and it was, unfortunately, absent. So whenever they had to enter the receipt of letters on their register, instead of setting down the hour they calmly wrote "No clock." One of them explained to a questioning visitor: "I am the owner of a watch, but the administration is not supposed to know this. It owes us a clock; therefore, instead of noting the hour, we write 'No clock.'" At the end of a week "No clock" was taken as a hint and the timekeeper was restored to its former position. It was a mild sort of strike.

Matchmakers in Dilemma.

Belgian maidens have awakened belated to the danger of two important events clashing this year. The Spinners' Matrimonial club has its annual banquet, to which eligible bachelors are invited, fixed for June 7 at Ecuassine-Lelaing, in Hainaut. At this banquet the chief business is arranging marriages.

It now appears that June 7 is the date fixed for the provincial elections; but the president of the spinners' club has already pointed out to the local deputy that the latter date must be changed, and if he fails she will petition the government to get the date of the elections altered.

The matter is regarded seriously by the club, as voting in Belgium is compulsory for everybody, including eligible bachelors.

JUDGE HARGIS KILLED.

Shot To Death In His Store At Jackson By His Only Son.

Judge James Hargis, the notorious feudist of Breathitt county, was almost instantly killed by his only son, Beach Hargis, on Thursday evening of last week.

The tragedy took place at 2:40 o'clock in the afternoon, and was witnessed by several of the clerks and a number of customers who were making purchases in the store at the time.

The news soon spread over the town and in a quarter of an hour the street were filled with excited and horror-stricken people, who stood in groups discussing the deed.

Judge Hargis was killed with his own pistol, a Colt "forty-five," which Beach stole yesterday from a drawer in the store where it was usually kept. A few minutes before the murder Judge Hargis was walking around in the store chatting pleasantly with his customers, while at the time his son was in a pool room a block away playing pool.

Miss Mary Coffey, a clerk in charge of the woman's dress goods department, says she noticed Beach enter through the front door of the store, near where she was waiting on a customer, and take a seat directly facing the door. She noticed that he had been drinking.

In a few minutes Beach arose and walked over to a counter. At that time Miss Coffey walked through another department, leaving James Brophy, Judge Hargis and another clerk and a customer whom Brophy was waiting on, and Beach Hargis in the dry goods department. She had scarcely reached the other room when the firing began.

The others who witnessed the shooting say that Judge Hargis walked toward his son and said something to him, whereupon the boy at once drew a revolver and began to fire, emptying its contents into his father's body.

Judge Hargis first caught hold of his son in an effort to disarm him. The young desperado threw his coat over his father's face and thus blinding him, pumped the contents of the revolver into his father's body, one of the five shots taking effect below the left nipple, three in the abdomen and one in the leg.

June Jett was at a desk making an entry, when he heard the report. He rushed in, but reached the wounded man only in time to catch him just as he sank to the floor. Judge Hargis said to him in a deathly whisper: "I'm killed."

These were the only words he spoke.

Dr. Kash arrived and directed the removal of the wounded man to his home. Judge Hargis expired as they were carrying him, in less than ten minutes after the shooting.

Deputy Marshal Govan Smith and Grover Blanton, having arrived on the scene immediately after the shooting, arrested young Hargis and took him to jail, after a struggle, in which he acted like a madman.

Soon afterward the report was current that the prisoner had taken morphine in his cell, but no confirmation of this or any word of his condition could be secured from the jail officials who are guarding him closely.

Young Hargis had been on a protracted spree, and some days ago his father administered a whipping. The chastisement was the cause of the murder today, the son having continued his debauch, nursing his resentment until his father again upbraided him for his conduct.

Though it sounds like a travesty there is rejoicing to-night in Jackson. The end of the strife has come. Peace has dawned, though its coming was sped by the assassin's bullet. The tragic end of Judge Hargis was not a surprise, except as to the author of that end. One devout old elder of the Christian Church, to-night quoted, as he shook his head in grave disapproval: "Vengeance is mine, I will repay, saith the Lord God of Hosts." And then he added, "He who kills with the sword must be killed with the sword."

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